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ROOSEVELT READY TO LEAD BOLTERS SECOND FUTILE ATTEMPT TO UNSEAT DELEGATES STIRS COLONEL TO WRATH

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, ILL., JUNE 19.—"SO FAR AS I AM CONCERNED," DECLARED ROOSEVELT TO HIS DELEGATES AND ADVISERS IN AN ADDRESS THIS MORNING, "I'M THROUGH, IF YOU'RE VOTED DOWN, I HOPE YOU, THE REAL AND LAWFUL MAJORITY OF THE CONVENTION, WILL ORGANIZE AS SUCH, AND YOU'LL DO IT IF YOU HAVE THE COURAGE AND LOYALTY OF YOUR CONVICTIONS."

The long-expected crash in the Republican ranks came tonight. Roosevelt forces acting under personal direction of the Colonels.

As a forerunner of the drastic action expected tomorrow or Friday, Roosevelt members of the credentials committee late tonight withdrew in a body, withdrew in person, and in effect withdrew all Roosevelt contests which had been scaled from 92 to 78. Following this action the credentials committee adjourned.

Roosevelt was tonight in the midst of exciting conferences and was busy figuring on loyal delegates whom he could carry with him out of the convention or into a separate convention on the Coliseum floor in the event a crisis was reached.

Close friends of the Colonel tonight said that there was no longer any doubt of his attitude. He was convinced that the credentials committee was against him and would retain the contested Taft delegations in their seats, and Roosevelt decided that he would go no further in the futile fight in regular convention.

Roosevelt would not issue a formal statement as to his war-like intentions early in the evening but was said to have made his position perfectly clear to his followers.

The Missouri delegation caucused tonight, for the purpose it was said, of launching a Hadley boom for president.

There is much talk of Chief Justice Hughes of New York as a candidate before the convention. Some suggested a ticket made up of Hughes and Hadley.

Taft people are exultant tonight.

Senator Dixon, Roosevelt leader, said:

"We shall have exhausted every legal and moral duty devolving upon us tomorrow. The future will have to take care of itself."

Taft forces tonight said that they were prepared for an attempt by Roosevelt people to hold a convention within the convention hall and had taken steps to prevent any such disorder.

It was said that five hundred policemen and eight hundred assistant sergeants-at-arms are to be stationed in the convention hall and would prevent disorder at any cost.

It was said that Roosevelt will be at the convention tomorrow and while he will have no legal standing in the convention he might be swept into the fight by his followers.

At a conference of his supporters just before midnight Roosevelt asked them to adjourn until later in the night, when he would have more facts to lay before them.

With the submission of a minority report tonight, signed by eleven members of the rules committee, the question of reducing Southern representation in convention will be put squarely up to the convention tomorrow.

TAFT MAJORITY FORMS CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., June 19.—In a test of strength over the organization of the credentials committee tonight, Taft forces elected Thomas H. Devine of Colorado chairman over the Roosevelt candidate, W. H. Lauder of North Dakota, by a vote of 30 to 18, four members absent or not voting.

Immediately after the election of Devine, recess was taken until 9:30. The members of the credentials committee are:

Colorado—Thomas H. Divine.
South Dakota—S. L. Ray.
Texas—C. A. Wormken.
Wyoming—F. W. Mondell.

TAFT LEADERS ARE CONFIDENT

ROOSEVELTANS IN FIRST BOLT

Atmosphere of Gratification and Satisfaction at Headquarters

M'KINLEY SEES VICTORY

DECLARES EACH SUCCEEDING ROLL CALL WILL SHOW ROOSEVELT LOSSES AND TAFT GAINS.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., June 19.—At Taft headquarters a general atmosphere of satisfaction and relief greeted swarms of delegates tonight.

Director McKinley confidently asserted that today's vote against the Roosevelt forces showed conclusively that Taft will be nominated.

McKinley claimed that Roosevelt lost on nomination roll call forty-six of the 510 votes he had today. He declared that Wisconsin's 26, South Dakota's 19, and Iowa's 19 Cummins votes would desert the Roosevelt column on any decisive vote.

From this he argued that the real Roosevelt strength in the convention would be at the most 464 votes and that Taft's nomination was a certainty.

Said Director McKinley:

Each succeeding roll call from now on will show steady losses from the Roosevelt column and gains for Taft.

Talk of a definite capture in convention was insisted tonight, in the Roosevelt camp unofficially and that the Roosevelt program will be this:

Should delegates finally be seated whom Roosevelt says have been fraudulently placed on the temporary roll those of the ex-president's adherents who are willing to stand by him through thick and thin will withdraw from the convention on the instant. The plan contemplates the holding of a double-headed convention in the same hall.

As soon as the final break is flashed to Roosevelt over his private wires he will be whirled to the convention hall to lead the fight in person.

Roosevelt is said to have secured sufficient tickets to admit himself and party to the hall, but merely as a spectator.

These reports reached the ears of authorities, who declare that two conventions will not be allowed in the hall at the same time.

Roosevelt's comment regarding Hadley was:

"I'm delighted. No demonstration could be too high a tribute to Hadley."

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Chicago, Ill., June 19.—The prayer of Rabbi Stoltz was as follows:

"O Lord, who art the loving Father of all mankind, the just Ruler of the Nations, the everlasting God whose counsel of righteousness and truth prevaleth over the waves of passions and the tumult of voices, we beseech Thee that Thou has set our nation high among the peoples of the earth and hast been our strength in every conflict, our present help in every time of need.

"In Thy bounty, Thou hast given us this land flowing with milk and honey; and in Thy gracious Providence Thou hast destined it to become the Promised Land of Liberty and Equality, the home of the free, the refuge of the oppressed, the goal of the strong and the aspiring who would share our inheritance of Law and Order. And we praise Thee for the multitude who have found blessing within our borders; we thank Thee for every beneficent institution established within our domain, for what of Justice has become the common law of the land, for our goodly

heritage of tolerance and peace.

"And we beseech Thee, Lord of Hosts, be with us, as Thou hast been with our fathers. Help us to prove ourselves worthy of our blessings. Make us mindful of our duties as well as our rights, our responsibilities as well as our privileges. Grant us the insight that a people perisheth where there is no vision, and the understanding that a great nation perisheth its rulers. Righteousness and its officers Peace, seeketh leaders who despise the maxims of oppression and withhold their hands from bribe, seeketh chief those whose glory it is to serve mankind by Justice, Fidelity and Truth. Hasten upon the delegates assembled the spirit of wisdom and understanding, of counsel and sight, that they decide in justice and equity and not after the sight of their eyes or the hearing of their ears, and that they guide themselves by the truth that righteousness exalteth a nation and injustice is a reproach to any people."

"And so may Thy Kingdom come and Thy will be done on earth. Amen."

ROOSEVELTANS IN FIRST BOLT

Members of Credentials Committee Break Out of Committee Room

BIG STAMPEDE FOLLOWS

LASTS FOR NEARLY HOUR

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., June 19.—Roosevelt members of the credentials committee, acting under specific orders from Roosevelt, broke out of the committee room at 10:30 tonight, after attempting to beat open the doors, and bring in all the newspaper men.

The doors of the committee room were suddenly thrown open by J. J. Sullivan of Ohio, who rushed out with the cry: "All Roosevelt men walk out!"

Many Roosevelt men followed. As they pushed open the swinging doors after Sullivan they cried out to the newspaper men:

"All newspaper men come inside and see what they are trying to do to us!"

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Thayer called for police and the crowd was kept from getting in.

Roosevelt men poured from the room, declaring they were acting under orders of Roosevelt.

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